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FOR: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DIAGNOSIS AND CONTROL OF MACHINES

USING CONNECTION AND CONNECTIONLESS MODES OF

COMMUNICATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, and responsive to the Official Action of January 4, 2000, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

10. (Three Times Amended) A method for communicating between a monitored device and a monitoring device, comprising the steps of

determining information to be transmitted by the monitoring device to the monitored device, the information including a request for a status of the monitored device determined using sensors within the monitored device; and

transmitting the information [as an] through Internet electronic mail [message over the Internet] from the monitoring device to the monitored device,

